

# Administrators investigate catering possibility

Kathy Bovafrd

in the interest of quality food services, University committee is researching the possibility of employing a professional catering service at NWMSU.

The committee members are Tom Catlett, director of auxiliary services; Dr. Don Petry, executive vice-president; Don Henry, business manager; and Del Simmons, director of food services.

"We are currently in the research stage," said Catlett. "All the other state schools have gone from 'self-op' services to catering, and it appears to be working," he continued.

The committee is looking to see if the caterers can offer economies or services which the present food service system isn't offering. "We have to try to answer all the little questions," stated Catlett,

"before any decision will be reached." He further explained that student employment is one of the questions which will be considered in the decision.

"Our main concern is that the quality of food will not suffer," Catlett said. "Many people have the idea that catered food is sent from Chicago or someplace all boxed and ready to heat up and serve."

Catlett tried to dispell those fears by pointing out that Bishop's is one food chain serviced by professional caterers.

An additional point which Catlett explained was that the choice of meal plans will not be affected by any change of food services.

"Right now we're asking 'Do we feel like this will work?' and 'Are we going to go further?'" concluded Catlett. "We're still in the investigating stages."

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### Awards Assembly honors nearly 100 NWMSU students



NWMSU President Robert P. Foster presents the Sterling Surrey nearly 100 NWMSU students honored during Apr. 25's Awards Scholarship to Judy Luff. Luff, a junior majoring in accounting, was one of — Assembly. Photo by Larry Helm.

NWMSU's 28th annual Honors Assembly was held Monday evening, Apr. 25, in the Charles Johnson Theater.

Nearly 100 students were individually honored for academic achievement, leadership and contributions to student organizations, and service to the University.

Opening the program was Dr. Donald Petry, executive vice-president, who gave the welcoming address. This was followed by the presentation of awards by Dr. Robert P. Foster, president of the University. David Michael Tritten played a piece by Franck on the organ, after which junior Charles Ortman gave the traditional student response.

Ortman, who was one of two honorees receiving the Outstanding Debater Award, urged individual student initiative when he said, "In spite of the University's attempt to create superior members of society, the student provides his own best guarantee of success by relying on his own ability to make the best of a college opportunity." He charged the University with the responsibility of making the curriculum "as relevant as possible to student needs and expectations."

Ortman said all students want to take college seriously, but many are hampered because of their fear of the unknown that lies ahead in the "real world." "The only certain thing we have to hang onto is

the knowledge that we are engaging in a process that has empirically shown to be beneficial and rewarding, when we do reach the real world. It is the process of applying abilities to a given opportunity that will be the most beneficial to you," he told the honor students.

He said that students "must continue to contribute their efforts and must continue to improve upon their abilities. This honors assembly indicates that this process can work."

The program was concluded by President Foster, who had participated in the event ever since its inception in 1949, when he was University registrar. This was the last Honors Assembly that the president would officially participate in,

as he will retire from the University presidency on July 1.

In his closing remarks to the honorees, their parents and friends, and attending faculty, the president said, "This is what this University is all about—assisting these young people to achieve high academic excellence and outstanding leadership qualities. I thank the parents of these honored students and I thank this University's faculty for their contribution to this process."

Dr. Foster said the Honors Assembly is a reflection of dedicated faculty and the "high quality" of students who enroll at University. He concluded, "These honors are an indication that the statement is true that you receive from education and from life what you put into it."

# Security immobilizes cars

Bette Hass

Security has a new way of collecting overdue parking fines.

Using a device called a Rhino Boot, the campus security officers attach it to the left front wheel. This keeps the car from being moved until the owner has paid his parking and security officers release the immobilized vehicle.

The University owned two of these devices for two years, but no one knew how to use them until Earl Brailey, new director of security, came to campus. They were put into operation the second week in February.

**The only cars which are still towed away are the ones which are obstructing traffic.**

Sue Barmann, NWMSU student, had the Boot put on her car Apr. 18 because she owed \$18 in parking fines. "I went out to my car after class, and was surprised to find big orange tags all over the car saying, 'Do not attempt to move this car!'" she said.

She had received a notice, like all students with delinquent fines, early in March which told her this would happen if she didn't pay the \$18 immediately. She was able to get an extension until Apr. 1, but when she still hadn't paid, her car was immobilized.

Barmann said that it took her about half an hour after she found what had happened to her car, to go through the red tape and get the Boot removed. This made her late for work.

Explaining how he chooses which cars have the Boot applied to them, Brailey

said that he has a list of everyone who has two or more unpaid parking tickets, and he is slowly going through that list. He said that if they have not paid the tickets 96 hours after they have been notified, their license numbers are given to the security police and when they are found, the Boot is applied.

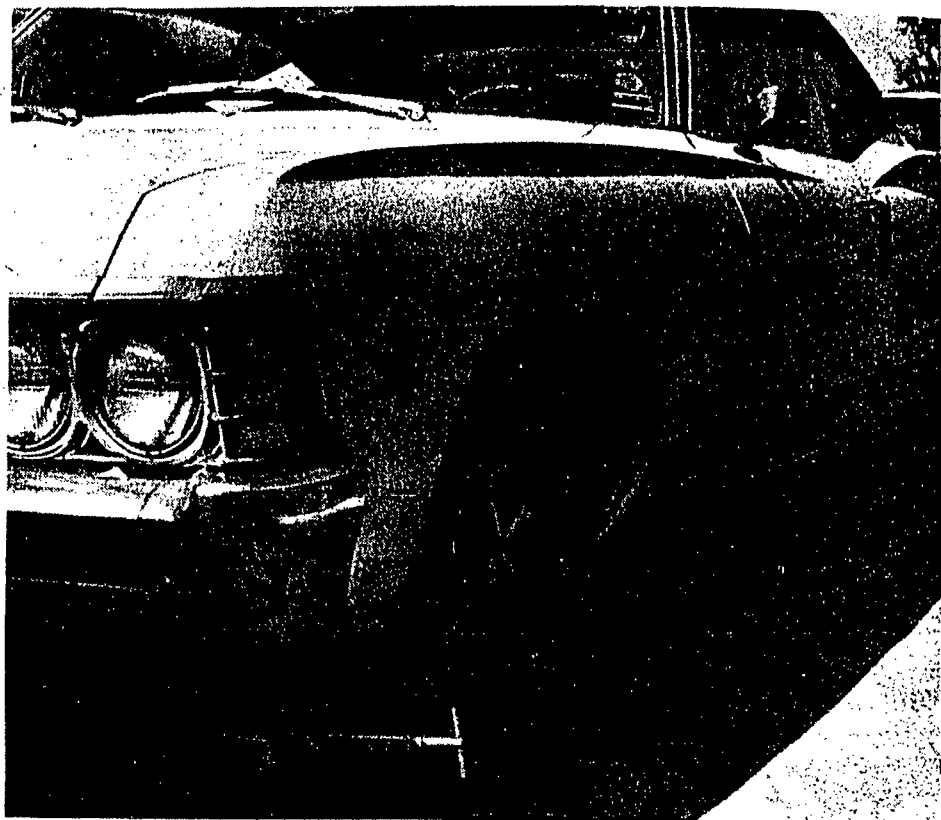
Brailey said this method is being used instead of towing the cars away in order to save the students the towing fees. The only cars which are still towed away are the ones which are obstructing traffic.

About 35 or 40 people have had their cars immobilized. Of that total, one or two belonged to staff members. Brailey said, "It has reduced our problem considerably. We never get it all, but our list is dwindling." He explained that there are still a few people who owe large fines because he and his staff haven't been able to find their cars yet.

Brailey said these cases will be given an incomplete for the semester if they don't pay. "I don't like to do that," he said, "But some people put me in a position where I have to."

According to Brailey, many universities use this system without sending any notification. Although the device is an inconvenience, it will not damage the car in any way unless someone tries to drive it away. The orange tags that are attached to several places of the cars are used to make sure that the owner knows the device is there and doesn't try to move it.

What will parking offenders do now? For Barmann parking off campus is the solution because she doesn't think parking on campus is worth the \$10 fee she would have to pay for a permit.

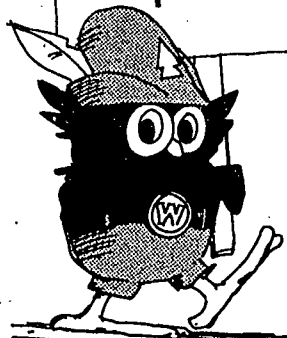


Overdue traffic tickets are being handled with "an iron hand". This device, known as a "Rhino Boot", is used to immobilize the car until the fines are paid. Head of Campus Security Earl Brailey said they are being applied at the rate of about two a day. Photo by Robert Pare.

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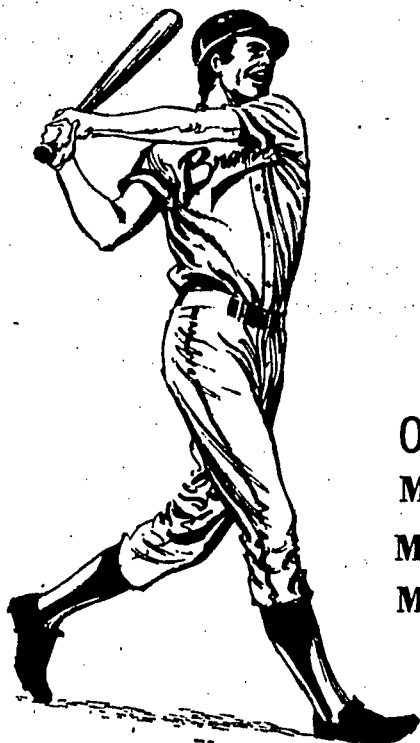
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# Student plans two-year backpacking excursion

Bob Power

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This line from a famous song may be the exact words Jerry Benson, NWMSU student, is repeating today.

Benson will be leaving June 1 for a two-year backpacking trip across the United States. The first leg of his trip will begin in Virginia on the Appalachian Mountain trail. This part of the trip will be entirely on foot. Benson figures he should reach his destination of Maine by October or November, depending on the weather.

After reaching his first destination Benson plans to hitchhike back through New England and make his way down to Pensacola, Fla. While on this part of the trip, he will take time out to see the "historical points we read about in books."

From Florida, Benson plans to hike to Houston, Tex. He hopes to be in Houston by Christmas of '77. From Texas, Benson will hike his way back up to Maryville to see his friends. The next major destination after Maryville is Denver, Colo.

After visiting the Southwest, Benson's plan is to go up the West Coast until he reaches the Canadian border. Hopefully the frozen tundra will be passable and Benson will make it to Alaska.

Trying to come up with sufficient funds for a trip like this isn't easy. For Benson, it meant selling his camera equipment and his car. He has already spent \$850 just for camping gear. This may seem like a lot of money for sleeping bags, a knapsack and the usual camping gear. However, Benson said, "I bought all the top notch equipment because my gear may cost me my life." Other ways Benson will acquire money is through work while on his trip. Benson plans to "find a job, make some money, and move on."



Jerry Benson, NWMSU sophomore who will graduate from the two-year drafting program, is making plans for a June departure into the life of an American vagabond. Benson has purchased back-packing gear and plans to see much of the United States through the lens of his camera. Photo by Robert Pore.

No one can just decide to go backpacking across the country without a great deal of preparation. Benson said he has been preparing for this trip for three months. Some of the ways he is getting in shape for the trip are getting up at 6:30 a.m., running three miles a day, lifting weights, and running stairs. As Benson said, "I don't want to start up a mountain with an 80- or 90-pound backpack and not be physically fit." Benson said that the hardest thing for him so far has been self-discipline. He said, "Sometimes when I'm running that last mile I often find myself asking 'Is it worth it?'"

There are several reasons why Benson is doing this. One reason is because of his scouting life. Benson said, "I've been a Boy Scout for years, and since I learned about backpacking I've wanted to do this."

## BEARFACTS

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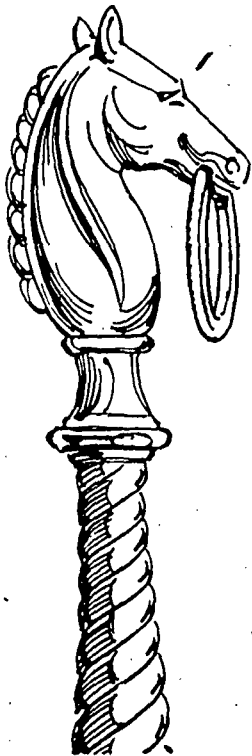
The Alpha Epsilon chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority, which was the first national Greek organization on campus, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary on Apr. 24 in the Ballroom.

President and Mrs. Foster were special guests. Mildred Davis, Susie Hankins Ogden and LaRue Kemp Mutz, who were charter members, received a Golden Violet award for 50 years of loyalty.

French and Spanish will be offered in ten-week sessions this summer.

The Foreign Language Department invites all interested students to take advantage of this.

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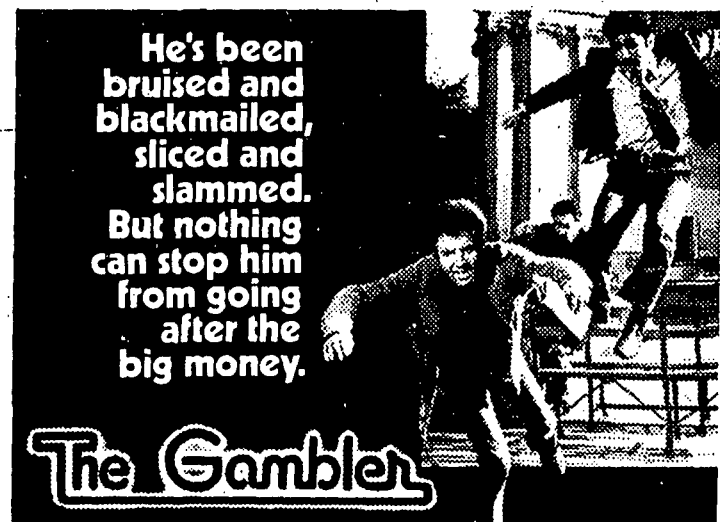
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# NWMSU student creates dictionary

Suzanne Cruzen

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These terms all have to do with eating, right? Pretty obvious, you say? But think of the foreign student struggling to learn the English language. For him, slang can be a real "bite."

In an effort to aid the foreign student, senior Marcia Pierson has compiled a slang dictionary. This dictionary, focusing on slang used on this campus, was designed with the foreign student in mind.

It was through her work at the Writing Skills Center that Pierson first became aware of the difficulty faced by the foreign student who encountered slang. At the suggestion of Rose Wallace, English instructor, Pierson decided to compile a dictionary of common slang terms.

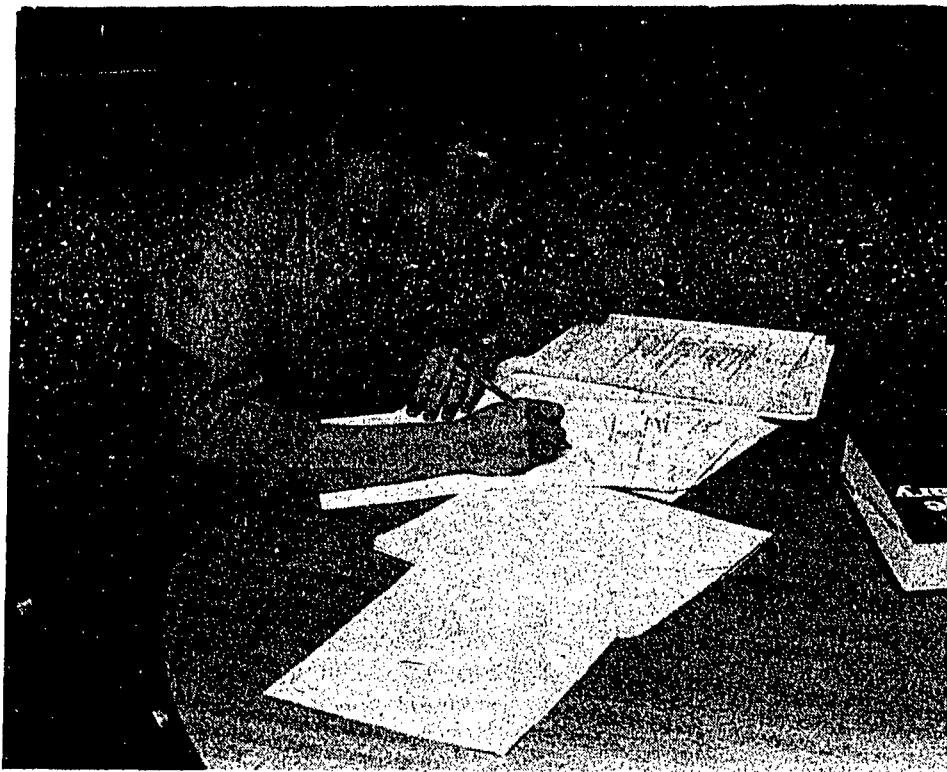
Pierson, who calls slang an "interesting and creative part of our language," is an English major and a linguistics minor. She began her project after spring break with last week as the completion date.

For the foreign student,  
American slang can be  
a real "bite."

According to Wallace, every worker in the Writing Skills Center is responsible for completing an individual project as well as tutoring students. "Everyone was very independent and creative in their projects," she said.

Wallace, who supervises all projects, is "especially proud of Marcia" who did a "combination of scholarly and field research."

To be made into a booklet by summer, this slang dictionary will be available to all students for 35 cents.



NWMSU Marcia Pierson has compiled a slang dictionary to aid the foreign student in learning colloquial English. The dictionary will be available for sale this summer. Photo by Victor Gutteridge.

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# Student prepares collection for Guinness world record

B.J. Pratt

Hot air balloon races, semi-trucks, farming equipment and cattle feed can all be found in Mary McCord's normal-sized dormitory room.

How can so much be squeezed into such a tiny space? The NWMSU junior represents each of these large objects or events through a smaller scale version, a hat collection.

"Two summers ago I got my first hat while working as a lifeguard at the swimming pool," said McCord, recalling where her hat collection got started.

"It was the big thing that summer for the kids to wear red, white and blue billed-type hats they'd gotten from a local elevator. They even began wearing them into the water, and eventually they started abusing that privilege," said McCord.

"We (the lifeguards) had to take the hats from the kids, then return them as each person left the pool," she said, explaining that she always wore each confiscated hat until the owner wanted it back.

"One day a kid asked if I'd like a hat of my own instead of taking everyone else's. I said, 'sure', so he got me one from the elevator."

McCord bought a second hat shortly afterwards at a Kansas City Royals baseball game and began to daily alternate which hat she wore to work.

"Wearing a billed hat helped keep the sun out of my eyes. But every once in awhile, I'd forget to bring either one," she said, adding the kids always questioned her why she didn't have a hat on.

"I guess the hats had become an identifying trademark for me," she said.

By the end of the summer, McCord had seven hats in her collection. She continued her daily alternation of caps while working, mainly to help break the monotony of lifeguarding.

Since that first summer, McCord's originally unplanned collection has grown to more than 80 hats. Anytime she sees a hat of a different color, material or of different advertising, she will try to find its origins and how she can acquire one for herself.

**Hats hang from curtain rods and tapestry wall hangings and have to coordinate with their surroundings' color schemes.**

McCord also mentioned wanting to be listed as a record holder in the "Guinness Book of World Records" as another reason for adding to her present collection. "I was going to apply for a record (with "Guinness") when I reached 75 hats, but I heard some guy had that many hats in his own collection, so I'll wait." She plans to apply when her total reaches 100.

McCord said her hats are specially displayed according to their colors. "The patriotic reds, whites, and blues are on one side of the room, while the duller colors of blacks and greens are opposite them," she explained, emphasizing she is careful not to put clashing colors together such as the oranges and reds.

When not living in a dorm room, McCord puts a hat over every outward projection she can find in her apartment. Hats hang from curtain rods, tapestry wall hangings, nails and lamps and have to coordinate with their surroundings' color schemes.

McCord helps separate information about each hat through a list she keeps, with descriptions on each one. For example, one may be of fur-like material, one may have ear flaps or one may have two colors on it. She can easily refer to the list without handling the hats if she needs the information.

Plans for the collection include possibly making poles to display the hats on in a showier fashion and also initialing or placing identifying marks in all of them.

"Some day in the distant future, maybe I'll go on tour myself and describe my collection to others," she said.

No one knows the definite future for McCord's hats, except for one thing. She'll never be completely satisfied after adding a new cap to her collection. Somewhere there will always be one that is different and she'll want it.

So if you ever hear anyone yell, "Hold on to your hat," when the wind isn't blowing, and Mary McCord is in the area, that old cliché may become the best advice you'll ever heed.



Mary McCord, NWMSU junior, has been collecting hats for about two years. McCord has more than 80 different hats. The hats advertise companies, events and trade names. She hopes that she may some day be listed in Guinness World Book of Records. Photo by Robert Pore.



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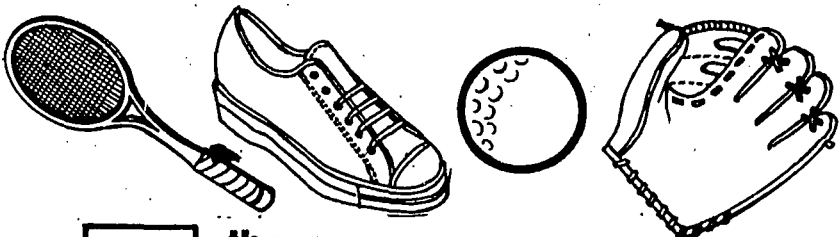
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# New international studies offered in language major

Cooperation between the Foreign Language Department and the Departments of Business and Economics, Geography, History and Humanities and Political Science has brought about the creation on a new international studies major/minor program.

The new major/minor will be under the Foreign Language Department administratively and must be combined with a foreign language major or minor under the Bachelor of Arts degree. No new courses were necessary since the program is a recombination of the present curricular offerings.

This new major gives another option in the area of international affairs, a growing field, giving the student a concentration in the language and culture of French, Spanish or German speaking countries with a broad academic background in the areas taught by the other departments. It will also make a good undergraduate program for graduate studies in specialized areas of the field. This program has humanistic and pragmatic values due to the importance of understanding other countries.

Each of the five major departments will provide a representative for a guidance committee to develop the program.

Mary Jackson, chairman of the Foreign Language Department, said, "It is important that institutions of higher education provided insight into peoples of other countries. This is a study of why they think the way they do and their political background. Foreign language is included to break the language barrier and arrive at mutual understanding." She feels that linguistics and cultural pluralism should be established. "It has a lot of potential," she said.

Dr. John Harr, chairman of the Department of History, commented, "Since no new courses are proposed and a number of options are available to students, the program offers an experiment in interdisciplinary study directed toward a common end."

The chairman of the Department of Political Science, Dr. Richard Fulton,

wrote in his letter of support attached to the proposal, "a proposal to establish an interdisciplinary major in International Studies is a sound idea with significant reflections in universities and colleges throughout the nation...The Political Science Department endorses these proposals and hopes that the great potential in this area can be developed on our campus."

He later said, "I am particularly anxious to see the proposed guidance committee operate to insure that substantive input is maintained and adequate advisement given so that students will be assured of a reasoned, logical sequence of course work."

The major in international studies requires 30 hours with 12 hours of core requirements and 18 hours of electives while the minor is 24 hours with 12 hours of core requirements and 12 hours of electives. The electives provide flexibility for student specialization and much interest has been shown in the new program.

## IA awards day held

Northwest Missouri's District Industrial Arts Awards Contest will be held on the NWMSU campus Friday, Apr. 29.

Thirty schools will enter projects in the contest sponsored by the Missouri State High School Activities Association.

Winners of the 14th annual contest will be eligible to enter the state contest held at the University of Missouri-Columbia, Saturday, May 7.

Dr. LeRoy Crist, professor of industrial arts and coordinator for the district contest, estimates the entry of between 900 to 1000 projects in the contest.

Judging for the contest will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on the 29th. Open house will follow from 1 to 3 p.m. The awards program will then be held at 3 p.m. The entries will be on display in the Thompson-Ringold and Valk Industrial Arts Buildings. The public is invited to attend.



The Board of Advisors for Outstanding Young Men of America named Rollie Stadman, director of radio for KDLX-AM and KXCV-FM, to the 1977 edition of OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN OF AMERICA. The Outstanding Young Men of America Program criteria for selection include a man's voluntary service to community, professional leadership, academic accomplishments and civic and political participation. The Outstanding Young Men of America Program is co-sponsored by the United States Jaycees and numerous other leading men's civic and service organizations. Stadman, along with approximately 11,000 fellow Outstanding Men, will be featured in this annual awards publication.



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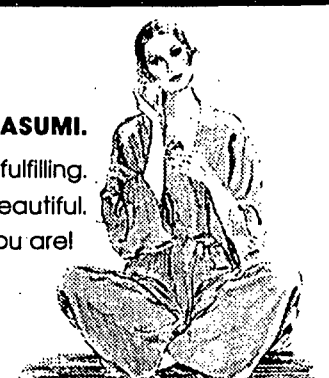
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## Ted Krieger holds poetry colloquium

Ted Krieger will read selections from his poetry in Wells Library Auditorium at 7:30 p.m., May 2. The event is sponsored by the English Department and open to the public.

The Charles City, Ia., native has been writing for many years, but, during the last year, success has found him. His work has been accepted for publication in 23 different magazines, including *New England Quarterly*, *The Green Fuse*, *Western Poetry* and *Sou'western*. Krieger was chosen as Writer of the Month in the Oct., 1976, issue of *Modus Operandi*. His work has appeared in four anthologies.

A chapbook of Krieger's will be published by Realities Library, a California-based publishing company, and he is preparing a book-length manuscript that will be published by Biography Press in Texas.

Before attending Wichita State, Krieger will participate in the Greenwood Writer's Colony program sponsored by the Alabama Fine Arts Society.

After graduation, Krieger will work on a Master of Fine Arts in writing at Wichita State University, on a tuition fellowship. Krieger was one of 12 candidates accepted for the program out of more than 100 applicants.

## Dorms sponsor picnic

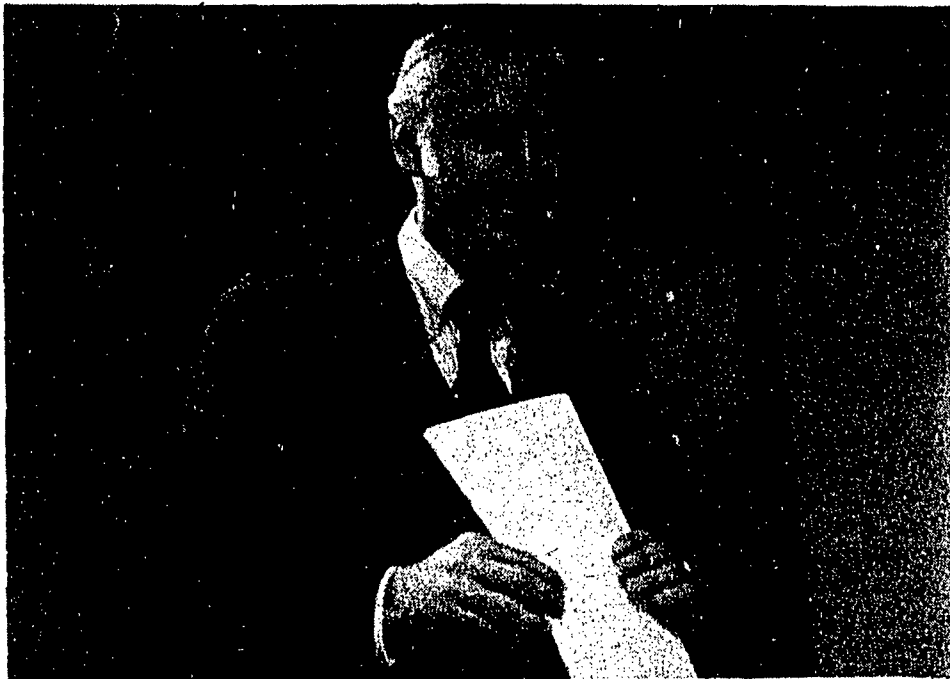
Dieterich and Franken Halls and the Student Union Board are sponsoring a barbecue and outdoor concert to be held in College Park on May 1, 4-7 p.m.

Riverrock, an electric blue-grass and country rock band from Kansas City, described as being "creative, enthusiastic and talented" and having "brisk, lively and vigorous" music, will provide the entertainment.

The cost for the barbecue will be \$1 in advance or \$1.25 on the day of the event for five items. Hot dogs, soda pop, baked beans and potato salad will be served.

Tickets are on sale at the front desks of Dieterich and Franken Halls and at the Student Union office. This non-profit activity is for the entire campus.

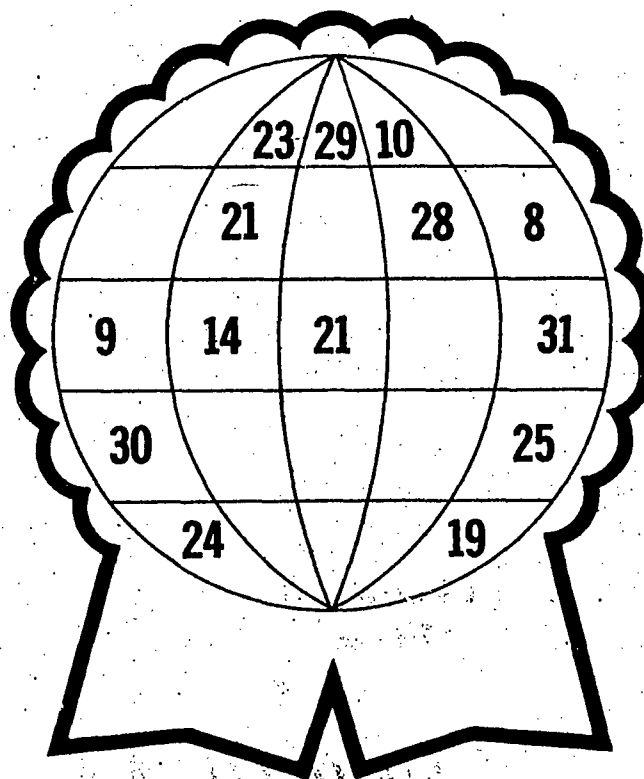
Rob Wheeler, area coordinator for Dieterich and Franken Halls commented, "People have been wanting an outdoor event for quite a while."



Dr. B.D. Owens, NWMSU President-select, has been on campus for a number of recent events. Dr. Owens and his wife and Sarah Caldwell Day last week and have been on hand for several other honors events. Photo by Robert Pore.

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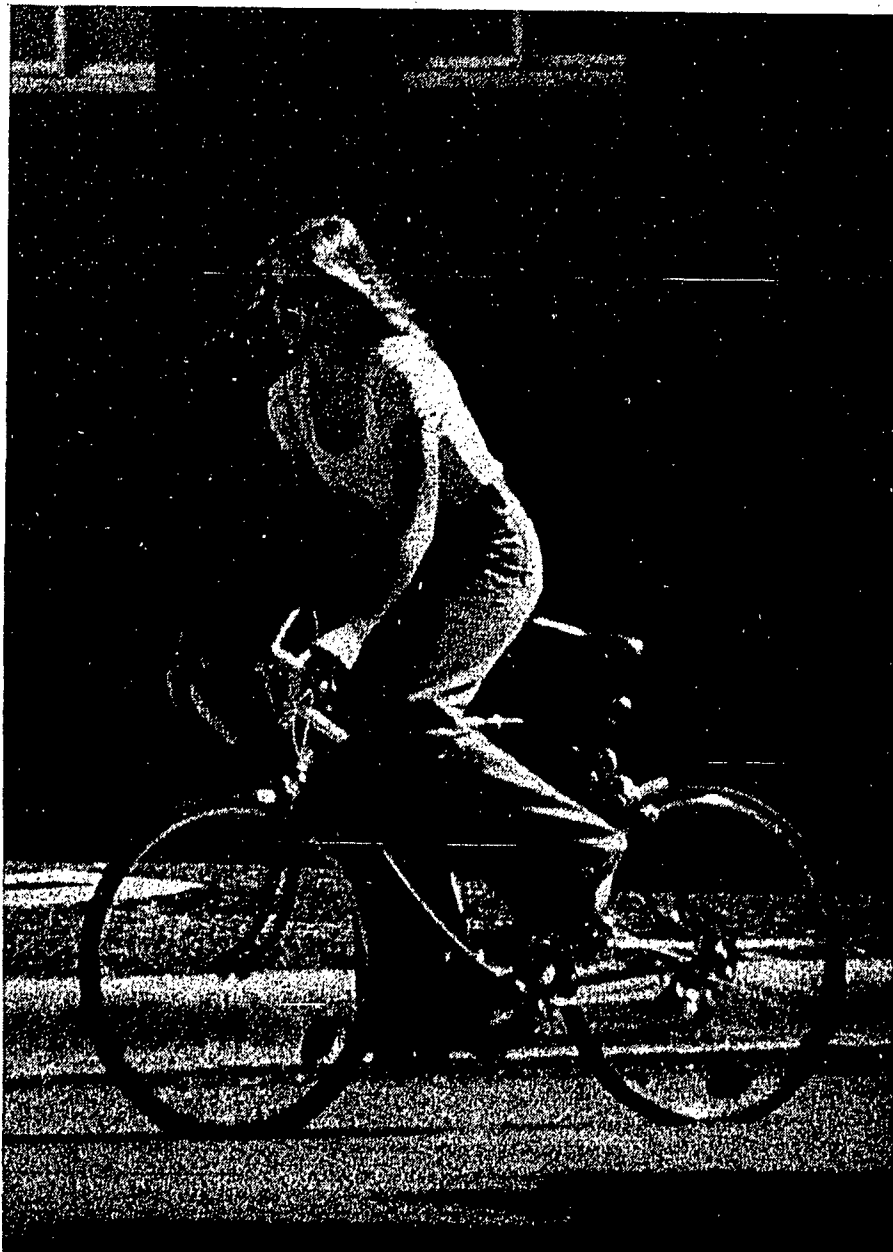
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K.B.



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## Don't blow it

Echoing Hamlet's "To be or not to be," 25,000 people a year choose death over life in the United States.

The dominant age group for suicide is between 18 and 24, when a person is establishing himself as an independent person. For people under age 22, suicide is the second leading cause of death (the first is accidents). According to Gus Rischer of the psychology department, a "motivating force" for suicide among young people is the realization that they are unable to establish social relations with the opposite sex.

According to Dave Sundburg, director of the counseling center, males choose more violent, fool-proof modes of self-destruction than do females. Males generally use a gun while females choose milder methods such as drugs. For this reason, men are more successful in their suicide attempts even though the number of attempts are twice as great for females.

April is the major month for suicidal death. The approach of springtime and seeing others together seem to accentuate a person's loneliness. Loneliness seems to be the most distinguishable characteristic of suicidal death. The socially isolated, according to Rischer, "hurt so much on the inside that death is a pleasant thing."

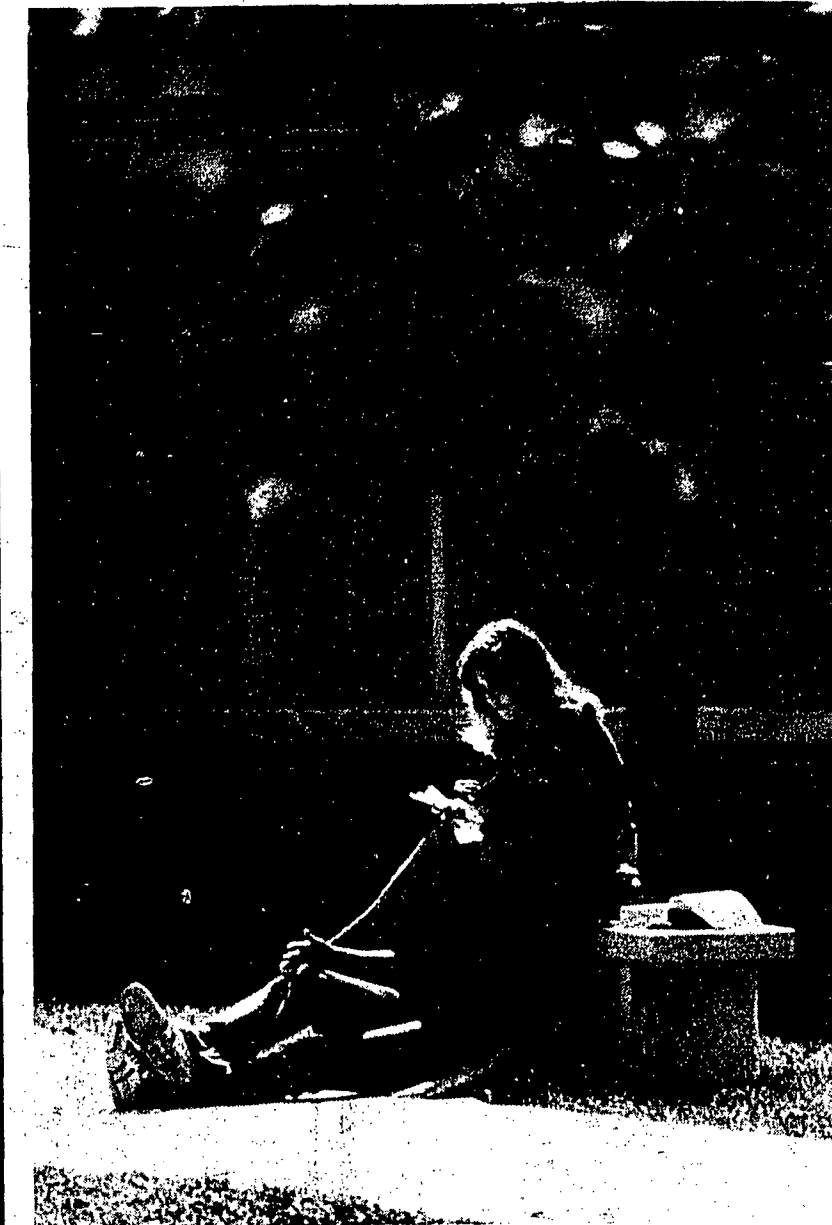
"Suicide seems momentarily, the best way of escaping," Sundburg said. "Of course, when most of us get to these depths of depression, we find strength within ourselves."

Although the reasons are still unknown, research has proven that the most suicides occur between 10-11 a.m. and 2-7 p.m. with Wednesday and Thursday as the major days.

According to Sundburg, boredom also contributes to suicide. People find nothing exciting in their lives and begin to question the value of their life. When a person feels that "life is bland," they ask themselves, "Is life really worth living?"

Based on a book by Carl Rogers, *On Becoming a Person*, Sundburg uses a checklist to initiate personal growth and reflect that life is "worth living." His checklist includes: allowing yourself to cry, expressing your personal feelings with another person, watching the sun rise or set, letting your imagination run freely on a "fantasy trip."

Whether it be playing Frisbee, walking with your son along a pond, bicycling, or enjoying the company of other people, life is still worth living. Live it up, but don't take it lightly. We're 4,500 strong. Let's keep it that way. It's a good life, so don't blow it.



## A College Student's "Desiderata"

Go intently amid the jassles and the headaches, and remember what strength there may be in numbers. As far as possible without compromise, be a friend to all people. Speak your truth clearly and firmly; and listen to others, even your parents and teachers; they, too, have their story and believe in it. Avoid no person; there is good in every man. If you compare yourself with others, use a two-way mirror, so you can see into his soul and he into yours, too; for always there will be more and less experienced people than yourself. Accept your failures as well as your success. Keep faith in your own talents, however humble; they are your only real possession as the years go by. Exercise caution in all your affairs, for the world is full of bureaucracy. Figure out how to beat the system. But do not let this blind you to what good there is; many people are honest and trustworthy, and in many places life is full of smiles. Be yourself. Especially be honest in the affairs of the heart; for in spite of all the quarrels and "lost loves" it is as perennial as the grass. Do not fear maturity, leave behind your childish ways, but never forget them, for sometimes a child's way is best. Develop faith in someone or something to protect your mind in times of depression. But do not burden yourself with worry or daydreams. Many fears flourish in a tired body or soul nurtured by loneliness. Except for a proper humility, have faith in yourself. "You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars, you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should." Therefore, be at peace with your God. Don't let the passions of youth carry you to extremes, reality will still be here when you return. And whatever your dreams and endeavors, in the hum-drum puzzle of life, keep pace with your soul. For even with all its fraud, drudgery, and disenchantment, it is still a beautiful world. Keep the spirit. Try to make someone happy--start with you. K.B.

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# Student-directed plays debut

Barb Gohlke

A short story is one of the most challenging-and difficult-forms of literature to write, for the entire meaning must be clearly written and expressed in a small amount of space. So it is also in the case of a one-act play. There is no time to draw out and expand on the meaning. It must be sketched out in bold, decisive strokes.

This was the challenge faced by four student directors and their actors in a four-part series of one-act plays being presented as a project for Dr. Charles Schultz's directing class. The plays will premiere for the general public at 8 p.m. Apr. 29 in the Administration Building Little Theatre.

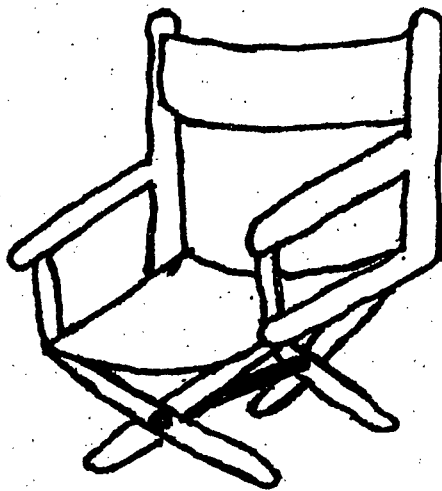
The first presentation is **The Respectful Prostitute** directed by Terry Behle. The story concerns a northern prostitute who comes to a southern town to escape her problems. She has the misfortune of becoming involved in an ugly incident on the train the day of her arrival. This was in the pre-civil rights days, when blacks were forced to breathe softly and step carefully in fear of their persons or their very lives. The central incident is the shooting of one black and the pursuit of another, falsely accused of rape played finely with palpable terror by Cedric Cowley. One of the town's fine, upstanding young (white) men shot the Negro with no justification, but, though everyone knows this, they consider his life and well-being more important than that of the black men, one of whom they are still pursuing relentlessly. The prostitute, who was a witness, is coerced ruthlessly into giving false evidence against the black man.

Is it possible for one life to be of greater value than another? Where can someone draw the line, and how are one's own convictions kept firm in the face of the roaring crowd? Linda Grimes, as Lizzy the prostitute, conveyed the inner confusion and despair implicit in such a situation with facility. Randy Kindred, as the Senator's son, who thought he was everything that was right with America and was so obviously everything that was wrong with America, delivered a memorable performance, fairly oozing with perverted evil. The Senator, played by Josef Stagg, projected menace with an almost physical impact. Altogether, this is a performance not to be missed.

**How much of life is real, how much is an imitation--  
and how do you tell the difference?**

**The Death of Every Mom** is a startling change of pace from the preceding play, but does not suffer from the contrast. Frenetic, frantic and full of fast-paced action and dialogue, it, too, conveys the theme well in its own way. Every mom, who is dying, reveals through the device of a flashback just what her life has been with her family--a life of cleaning, scrubbing, polishing, all the countless chores imposed upon every mom. All her life, she has been collecting inspirational deathbed statements from famous people, and now on her own deathbed, the family awaits with breathless eagerness to hear her own immortal dying words. What she finally does say comes as a shock to her family, revealing in truth the reality of death and putting it into perspective. Jane Sinn, as Every mom, handles an awesome number of lines with an impressive characterization and delivery. All Dad, by Jon Kruse, and Dennis Doyle and Jody Searcy as the impossible children bring energy and marvelous interpretation to a truly fine production. Again, this is a must.

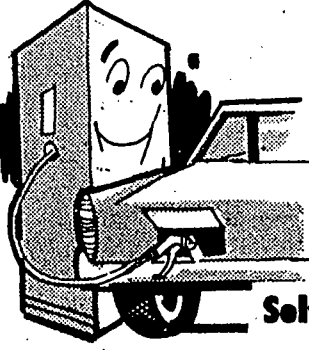
One could wish that the same could be said for the next presentation, **Hello Out There**, directed by Linda Larkin. Unfortunately, a fine play with a lot of potential was given a lack-luster treatment and presentation by way of a great deal of dull and mechanical acting, lacking in proper direction. The main character, a rover searching for meaning in life, falls afoul of the law when falsely accused of rape. Steve Wray as the seeker provides some bright moments, but there is a lack of force and conviction which shows through at times. The angry husband was played with a robotic expression and voice by Doug Hammers, whose only virtue in the part was that he could yell good and loud. Angie Felling, as "Katie" provided the only real consistency in the play with her wistful portrayal of the timid and not-too-bright small town girl who falls in love with the gambling man. It was a good try, but it could have been done better.



Students have a chance to sit in the director's chair. One-act plays produced by Dr. Charles Schultz's directing class will be presented Apr. 29-30.

In the last play, **Impromptu**, directed by Gloria Overmeyer, four actors are called to a theatre to perform an impromptu play in front of an audience. The theme is illusion and reality: how much of life is real, how much is an imitation--and how do you tell the difference? Winifred, a brittle and rather bitter sophisticate, is not really sure, caught up somewhere between the two. Sherry Hatfield is especially outstanding in this role, as is her counterpart in experience, Kevin Brunner, as Ernest. Ernest, however, is totally caught up in illusion and cannot now, if he ever could, distinguish between the two. The two ingenues, Tony and Lora, provide contrast also. Tony is the most ruthlessly realistic of all, impatient and dissatisfied with fakery and seeking for the real meaning, while Lora is quite happy in her world of illusion. Larry Lane and Carla Scoville are convincing and touching as the ingenues. They all must remain onstage until the stage manager's orders are achieved--to present a real slice of life--not an imitation. How this goal is finally reached should provide an insight on the nature of reality and illusion and how it affects us all.

As a whole, an evening spent with these four plays will be well worthwhile--much worth sacrificing an evening of shoot-'em-up cop shows and banal variety productions. Go with friends or bring your date for an enjoyable evening.



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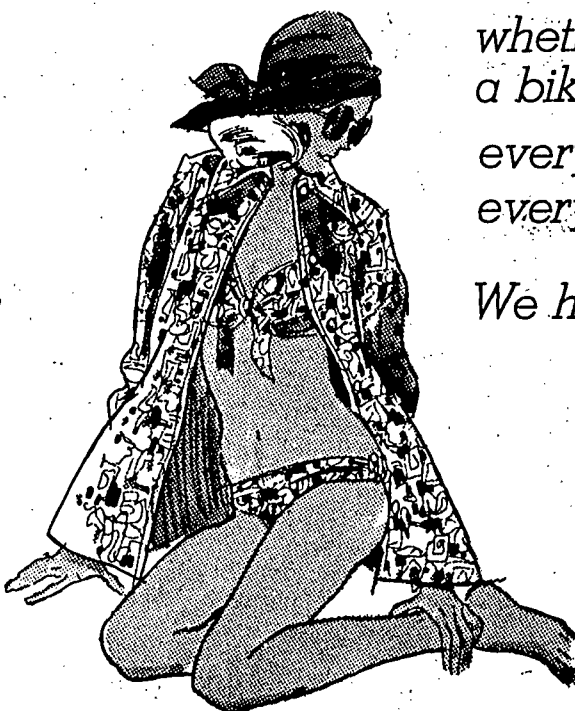
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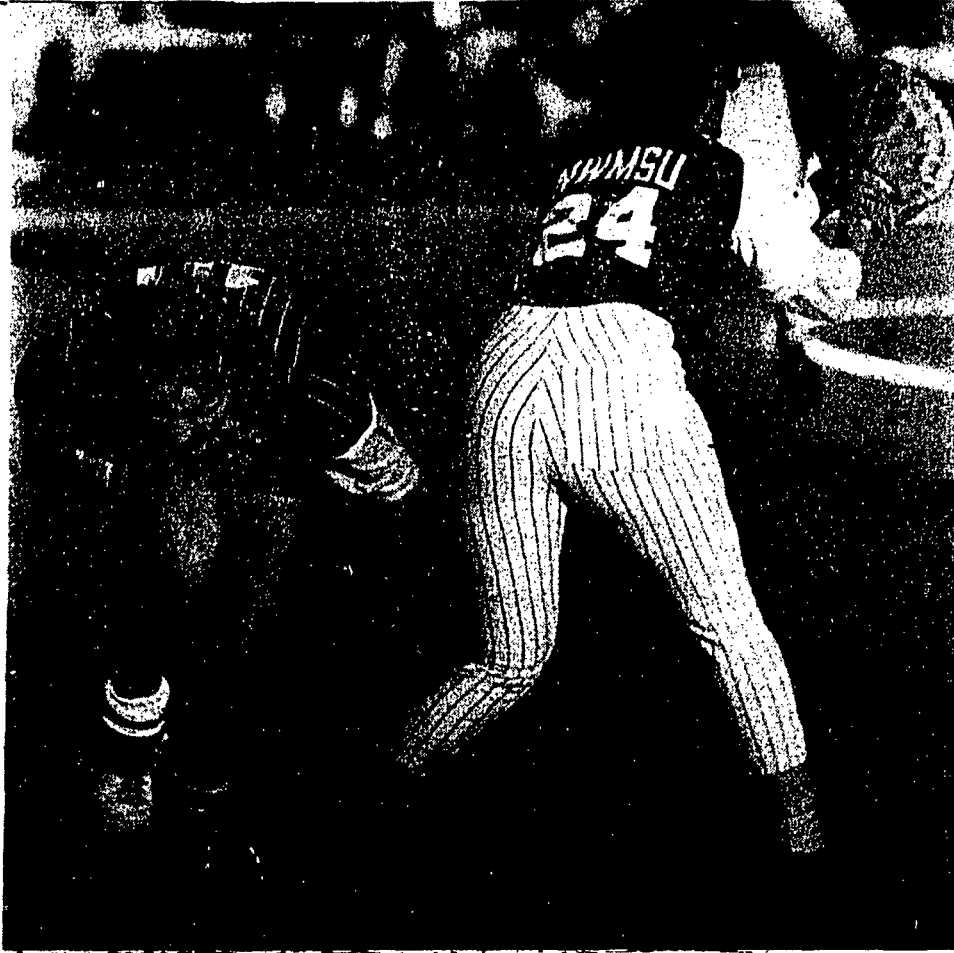
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NWMSU Bearkittens softball team hosted an 11-team double-elimination tournament last weekend. 'Kitten first-baseman, freshman Nancy Coughlin, is shown taking the throw during the tournament. Photo by Mike Sherer.

## Football players sign for NWMSU

NWMSU Head Football Coach Jim Redd has announced that two St. Louis area high school student athletes will enroll at NWMSU this fall.

The two signees are Maplewood's Ervin Norful, a 6-1, 228-pound lineman-linebacker, and Eureka's Dave Toti, a 6-0, 180-pound quarterback-defensive safety.

Norful was a first team All-Suburban Conference and honorable mention All-District selection last year for Maplewood-Richmond Heights' Coach Phil Norwood and Assistant Coach Jack Taylor, a NWMSU graduate.

"Ervin is a very aggressive player with exceptional lateral movement," said Redd, who plans on using Norful as an inside linebacker and defensive lineman.

A heavyweight wrestler for the Blue Devils last winter, Norful placed third in the high school state tournament. Norful's academic major next fall will be industrial arts technology.

Running quarterback, Toti was a first team All-Suburban Conference and second team All-District choice last fall for Coach Bill Gerdemann's Tigers, who finished the '76 season with a 10-0 record.

Toti rushed and passed for 1,000 yards last year, and Redd describes him as an outstanding all-around athlete who can play in the defensive secondary.

Graduating in the upper 15 percent of his class, Toti was named the winner of the Eureka High School Scholar-Athlete Award. He plans to major in business and accounting at NWMSU.

## State softball tourney he

MAIAW Softball Tournament was completed over the weekend, Apr. 22-24.

The double-elimination event was the first step in a three tournament arrangement that culminates in national tournament play.

Tarkio College won the 11 team event with Missouri University taking second. The 'Kittens finished third rolling over UMSL and the number one seeded Southwest Missouri State.

Cindy Williams turned in a solid pitching performance as the 'Kittens downed the University of St. Louis in the opener 4-2. The second victory of the day came behind Sheryl Wurster's six-hit pitching with a 3-1 defeat of Southwest Missouri. Sunday, however, started on a different note. The Kittens took a

disheartening defeat from M.U., the in the final game to Tarkio 7-4.

Dianne Withrow played outstanding in the outfield for the 'Kittens. With not only played outstanding defense but was one of the leading hitters the tournament, along with K Callahan, B.J. Pratt and Nancy Coughlin.

Coach John Poulson was pleased with the 'Kittens' performance. "I don't complain about the way they performed. They're just a great bunch of gals." Susan Sugg and Russ Hutchins should also be commended for their performance throughout the season.

The 'Kittens, now 17-13, will play Western Illinois and Northeast Missouri State during the coming weekend.

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## Baseball 'Cats lead conference

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Taking both ends of a doubleheader with Missouri-Rolla Saturday, Apr. 23, Bearcat baseball team has taken a lead hold on the MIAA conference race. The twin bill sweep lifted the 'Cats to a 14 overall record, but more importantly, it raised their conference record to 10-1, for a .875 winning average. The nearest competitor for the title is Southeast Missouri State, with an 11-4 record, making a .733 winning percentage.

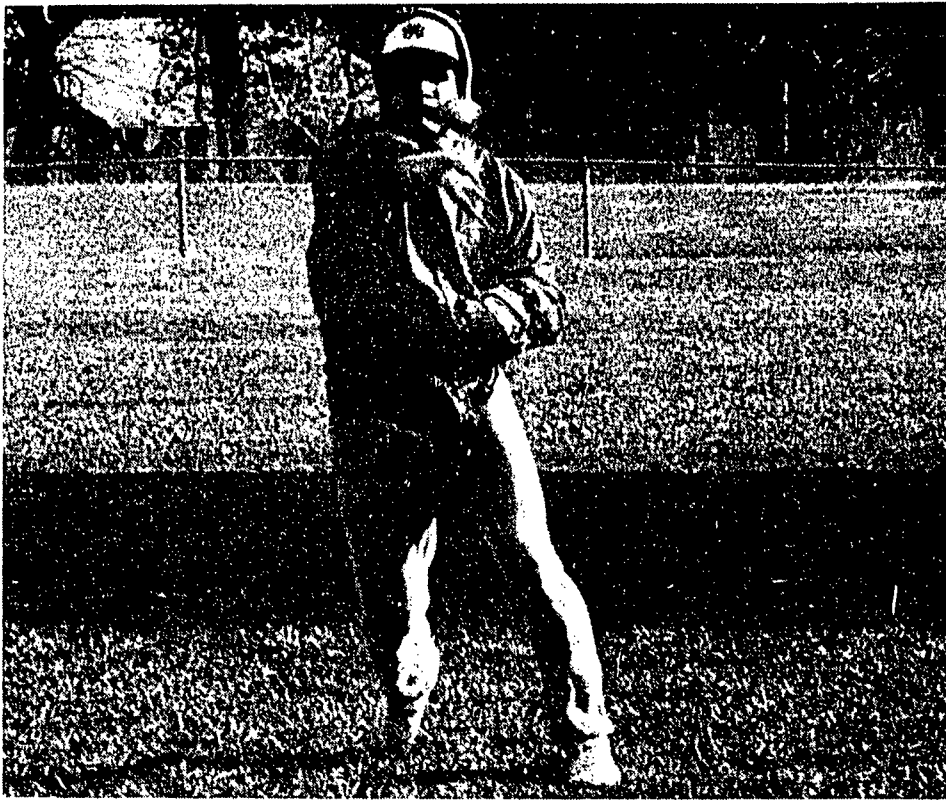
Following the Bearcats and Southeast Missouri, with a 7-4 record; Rolla, with a 5-6 mark; Central Missouri, with a 4-7 record; Northeast, with a 5-9 mark; and, bringing up the rear, Lincoln, with a 1-11 mark.

The 'Cats should have a good chance to pick up the conference title, with only two conference series left in their schedule. The two teams left to play are Lincoln, the team sitting in the league basement, and Northeast Missouri State, which is next last in conference standings.

Both matchups seem to be in favor of Northwest. As a team, the Bearcats are hitting a whopping .323 and feature eight men on the roster who are batting .300 or better. At the top of that list is Webb, who is leading the district, (along with the conference) in hitting with a .465 batting average. Trailing him closely for the Bearcats are Steve Frailey, with a .381 average, and freshman catcher Bill Sobbe, batting .370.

In addition, the 'Cats have some of the top run producers in the conference. In route to averaging nearly 5 runs per game over their 31 game schedule so far, they have been led by Bob Peterson and Frailey, both with 21 runs-batted-in. Trailing these two closely in rbi's are Gary Gaetti, with 19 and Sobbe, with 17. Scoring has been led by Webb, who has 16 runs to his credit. He is followed by Sobbe with 22, and Keith Andrews with 18.

Pitching appears to be shaping up for the squad as well. The opener in the Rolla doubleheader saw Mark Miller record the first complete game shutout of the season for the 'Cats, a 1-0 decision. Leading the team in wins so far this year are Tom Franke and Mark Vansickle, with three wins each. The top ERA man so far, with a 1.80 mark, is Ben Westman.



NWMSU baseball Bearcats are again attracting a wide following during another successful season. The Bearcats, now 7-1 in MIAA standings, are leading the conference. An outfielder is shown making a throw to the plate during a practice session. Photo by Victor Gutteridge.

## Tennis team gains first win of season

NWMSU's women's tennis team picked up its first win of the spring season Tuesday, Apr. 19, with a 9-0 shutout of Longview Community College.

Coach Barbara Bernard's Bearkittens swept eight of the nine matches in straight sets with only Red Oak junior Judie Frazee being pushed to three sets. Frazee defeated Donna Lacerte at number one singles, 6-7, 6-3, 6-3.

The rest of the Bearkitten scoring had sophomore Susan Dollar defeating Jackie Timko at number two singles, 6-1, 6-4. Jan Wardrip beat Kathy Stone at number three singles, 6-1, 6-1. Terri Reiter defeated Rhonda Davis at number four singles and junior Karen Blake rounded out the singles scoring with a 6-2, 6-2 win over Diane Teehey at number six singles.

In doubles play, Frazee and Dollar stopped Lacerte and Stone at number one, 6-2, 6-3. At number two, Reiter-Hader defeated Timko-Davis 6-1, 6-2, and at number three Wardrip and Blake teamed for a 6-0, 6-0 win over Thurman and Teehey.

Next competition for the Bearkitten tennis team will be Friday at the Missouri

Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women's meet at Liberty.

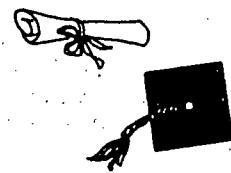
## Kittens take second

Coach Barbara Bernard's Bearkitten tennis team was edged by Graceland College 5-4 in dual competition held Thursday, Apr. 21, at Lamoni, Iowa.

Leading the 'Kittens was Susan Dollar who won the number one singles match against Graceland's Sarah Packer. Jan Wardrip earned a victory over Graceland's Becky Moss at the number three singles position and Laura Hader took the number five singles match from Becky Watson of Graceland.

The 'Kittens are now 1-5 on the spring season.

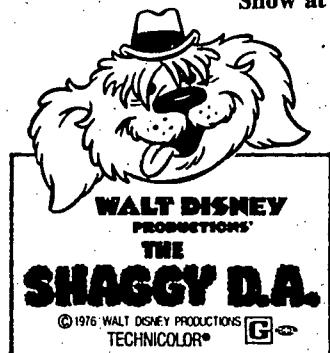
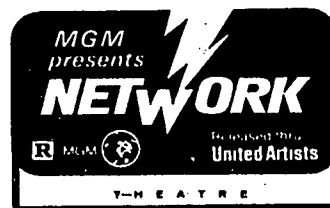
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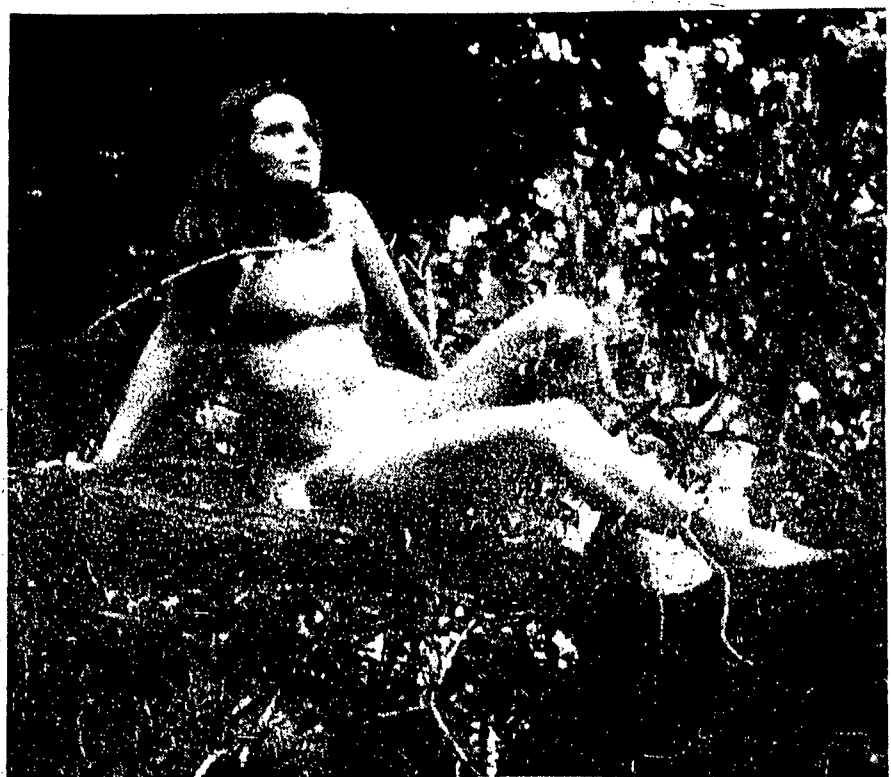
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# 'Kittens prepare for MAIAW state track meet

"Even though we are small in number, we will be very competitive," said Coach Glenda Guilliams about her Bearkitten track squad as they prepare for the MAIAW State track meet Apr. 28-29 at Point Lookout, Mo.

Guilliams feels that the 'Kittens should be at the top of state competition along with Northeast Missouri State, Southwest Missouri State and Missouri-Columbia.

The coach contends that the 'Kittens' strong point shall be in the distance events, since the four have strong personnel in these events, which contrasts most schools. She pointed out that the strong points for Missouri-Columbia and Southwest Missouri are the number of women participating, while Northeast Missouri's strength lies in the form of a sprinter, Debbie Carter, who out-classed all other girls at the Kansas University Relays.

Guilliams had little comment about the other Missouri schools that will be participating at the meet since the 'Kittens have only been going to major meets during the course of the season.

Individual 'Kittens who Guilliams expects to place high in competition include Ann Kimm, who has been making a name for herself during this season. Kimm is currently second in the nation in the three-mile event. She also owns NWMSU mile record by covering that distance in 5:03.2 and along with the one-and three-mile events she will run the two-mile during the meet.

Kimm was also one of the few women in the nation who was asked to participate at the Drake Relays. She was picked in 1500 and 3000 meter runs but she was unable to participate in this meet since she wanted to run with her team this weekend at the state meet.

Marla McAlpin and Jill Vettie are the duo that Guilliams expects to cover the 'Kittens in the sprint department. McAlpin will run in the 440-yard dash NWMSU 880-record since she clocked a



Bearkitten long-jumper, Julie Schmitz, is shown at a recent track meet making her leap. The women's track team is preparing for the Apr. 28-29

MAIAW State Meet at Point Lookout, Mo. Photo by Robert Pore

NWMSU 880-record when she clocked a 59.2 earlier in the season. Vettie will run the 100-, 200- and 300-yard dashes.

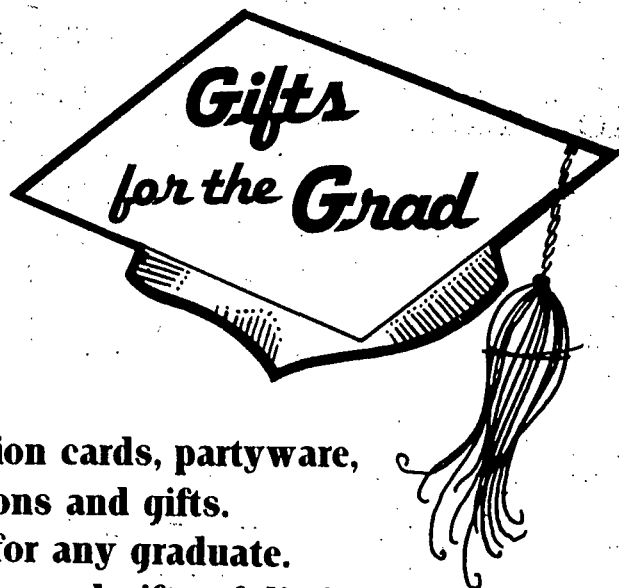
Julie Schmitz will be running the 400-yard intermediate hurdles, as well as representing the 'Kittens in the long jump. Guilliams looks for Schmitz to fare well in the hurdles and in the mile, but is unsure of her performance in the long jump since she doesn't practice for that event as much as the other ones.

Kathy Goldsmith and Karen Hotze are the 'Kitten entries in the weight events which include the shot put, discus and javelin. Goldsmith owns the NWMSU record in the discus with a throw of 115-11 and won the Drake Relays in the shotput with a heave of 39-0 1/4. Hotze "could do very well if she continues to improve at her present rate," claimed Guilliams.

Over all, Guilliams claimed that "the 'Kittens are ready for the meet and that they are looking forward to going." Guilliams also stated, "Our practices are harder than the meet, we go to since we run over 20 miles a day."

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor:

Two weeks ago, the **Kansas City Star** carried a story about Jamiee Monks, a NWMSU class of 1976. Because many of us knew Jamiee and her husband, Brad Monks (also class of 1976), and did not believe the report on Jamiee's accident and rehabilitation. I am using the **Missourian** to bring friends up to date on her situation.

Jamiee and Brad were involved in a serious automobile accident in Rolla, Missouri, last August 18. They had just returned to Rolla where Brad was to begin work on an electrical engineering degree.

Jamiee's side of their car was hit, causing severe head injuries, fractured ribs and pelvis, and coma which lasted four weeks.

Until recently Jamiee was suffering from severe amnesia. Two weeks ago Brad and Jamiee visited Maryville in hopes that familiar scenes would jog her memory and help her recall events of the recent past. While they were here, Jamiee's remarkable physical recovery was apparent and she was able to remember a good deal about her days as a home economics major.

Doctors now think Jamiee's chances for complete recovery are good. The Northwest Missouri Fellowship of Christ-Athletes has donated an exercise mat which will significantly aid and encourage Jamiee in her program of physical rehabilitation.

Most of all, I think, Brad and Jamiee would appreciate letters of encouragement from those who knew them as students. Their address is: Brad and Jamiee Williams, 1804 Cedar St., Rolla, Missouri 65401.

Sincerely,  
Gary Davis

Dear N.W. Missourian,

This is one of those letters that will probably draw a razor sharp "editor's reply" as did last week's letter from the Student Senate.

Before I go any farther I should state that I am not a member of Student Senate, nor have I attended any of this year's Senate meetings; however, I was infuriated by Ms. Murphy's 'comments' printed in the **Missourian** several weeks ago. I immediately started to write a reply but was assured by Senate members that they would handle the matter.

Why so much concern over an article dealing with a group that I'm not involved in? There are several reasons. Whether she admits it or not, Ms. Murphy's article was an attack. At least everyone I talked to seemed to get that impression.

I do not feel it is the **Missourian's** divine duty to condemn a group of students that have worked hard all year for the benefit of all students. The article in question said that this year's Senate presidential candidates all made promises they had no power to carry through. What's more, the article implied that the candidates had no intention of even attempting to fulfill their promises.

I beg to differ. I mediated a televised discussion between the three candidates, and at no time during that program did they make any wild promises. Each candidate stressed the fact that Senate could accomplish only certain things (with the support of the students, which is rare!) with the limited power they have.

Had the **Missourian** covered the event, this accusation would not have been made. Ms. Murphy's article also said that the Senate seldom accomplishes anything, yet in last week's "Editor's Reply" she states that the **Missourian** had covered six major events sponsored by Senate! Sounds a bit contradictory to me.

Perhaps Ms. Murphy should keep the critical side of her comments directed toward her own operation. Then we students can reciprocate by pretending not to notice little shortcomings there; like stories with a byline by Dann Flaherty that quote Dann Flaherty later on in the article; or staged pictures of booze, sex and drugs in the dorms that had the administration ready to abolish visitation entirely.

I hate to cut you down but, YOU ASKED FOR IT. I can hardly wait to see this week's "Editor's Reply."

Thank You,  
Steve Stucker

This week's editor's note has been cancelled by popular demand.

hi mom

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Dear Editor,

In picking up this week's **Northwest Missourian**, again I was confronted with a LETS PICK ON THE GREEKS issue. I realize Hell Week might cause a little inconvenience for the independents, but you have not exactly presented the whole picture. Are Greeks the only people on this campus that make noise? This hardly seems reasonable since they are a minority on campus. I, too, have been awakened a few nights but not by singing

males, but more preposterously by independents urging us to throw our underclothing out our windows. Now which makes the most sense? Also, I suppose the Stroller was perfectly quiet when he came in from his three-night drunks.

I feel like the only people entitled to complain about this are the ones who can honestly say they have never disturbed anyone's sleep in all their years at NWMSU. I don't think that that includes many of us.

Denise St. James

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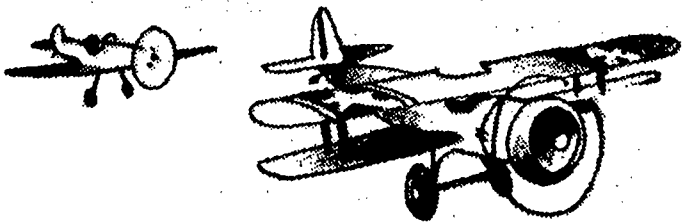
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# THE STROLLER

Lazily, the Stroller crawled out of bed. Rubbing his bloodshot eyes, a devilish smile came across his face. After boring days of classes, a few distressing finals and then, graduation!!! After all these years, he was finally going to be graduating, going out into the world.....

"Well," he thought to himself as he pulled on his robe. "I might as well begin my farewell rounds today."

As he stepped out into the dorm hallway, he could hear loud, excited conversation coming from the rooms. He decided to see what the commotion was about.

"Did you see what she just did?" the Stroller heard as he passed a door. He was greeted by a red-in-the-face male.

"Hi, come in. You should see what's happening down on the 'beach.' We got our telescope out and....well....WOW!!"

Curiously, the Stroller went to the window. He looked out. His eyes

widened. There was a whole 'beach-full' of co-eds. Almost all were very attractive.

The males around him were excited and glibberish. "Let's go down there and see if any of them are looking for us," said one, his eyes glued to the telescope. The response was affirmative.

Through some strange coincidence, the telescope wound up in the Stroller's hands and the room emptied. "Might as well take one last look," he thought, practically. "I don't plan on seeing very many co-eds after next week. Older women for me..." He put the telescope to his eye...he groaned...it was fogged over....

Later in the day, as he was wandering about campus and dreaming of his future freedom from college, the Stroller overheard voices talking in the bushes. He moved closer.

"Do you wanna do it?" said a co-ed voice.

"Uh-huh."

As the Stroller got nearer, his curiosity

getting the better of him, three females came out from behind the bushes. One bent down on the ground, head tucked between her knees. Another jumped over her, taking the same position. The third jumped over the both of them, falling to the ground, giggling. They continued with their fun.

Laughing to himself, the Stroller continued with his walk. "I sure am going to miss this campus life, the dances, the fun, the friendliness. Oh, well, surely there's something like that out there in the 'real' world--someplace," he thought.

After relaying his soon-to-be departure from the campus to his friends and acquaintances, the Stroller returned to his room. His spirits were soaring. He was looking forward to new and exciting adventures.

Quite by accident, he looked into his mailbox. A letter... "Maybe it's from home," he thought.

After fumbling with the combination,

he pulled out a long yellow envelope. His heart jumped--it was from the administration. They were going to commend him for his great service to the University and tell him that they were going to miss him.

He tore the envelope open and read the typed note: "We regret to inform you that you lack three hours towards your major. Therefore, you won't be able to graduate. Please see your adviser."

After rereading the notice, he crumpled it up and threw it toward a trash can, missing. Gloomily, he sauntered up the stairs. What was he going to do? All of his hard work for this year. Getting to his room, he saw the telescope sitting next to the door with a note attached to it.

Uninterested, he read it.

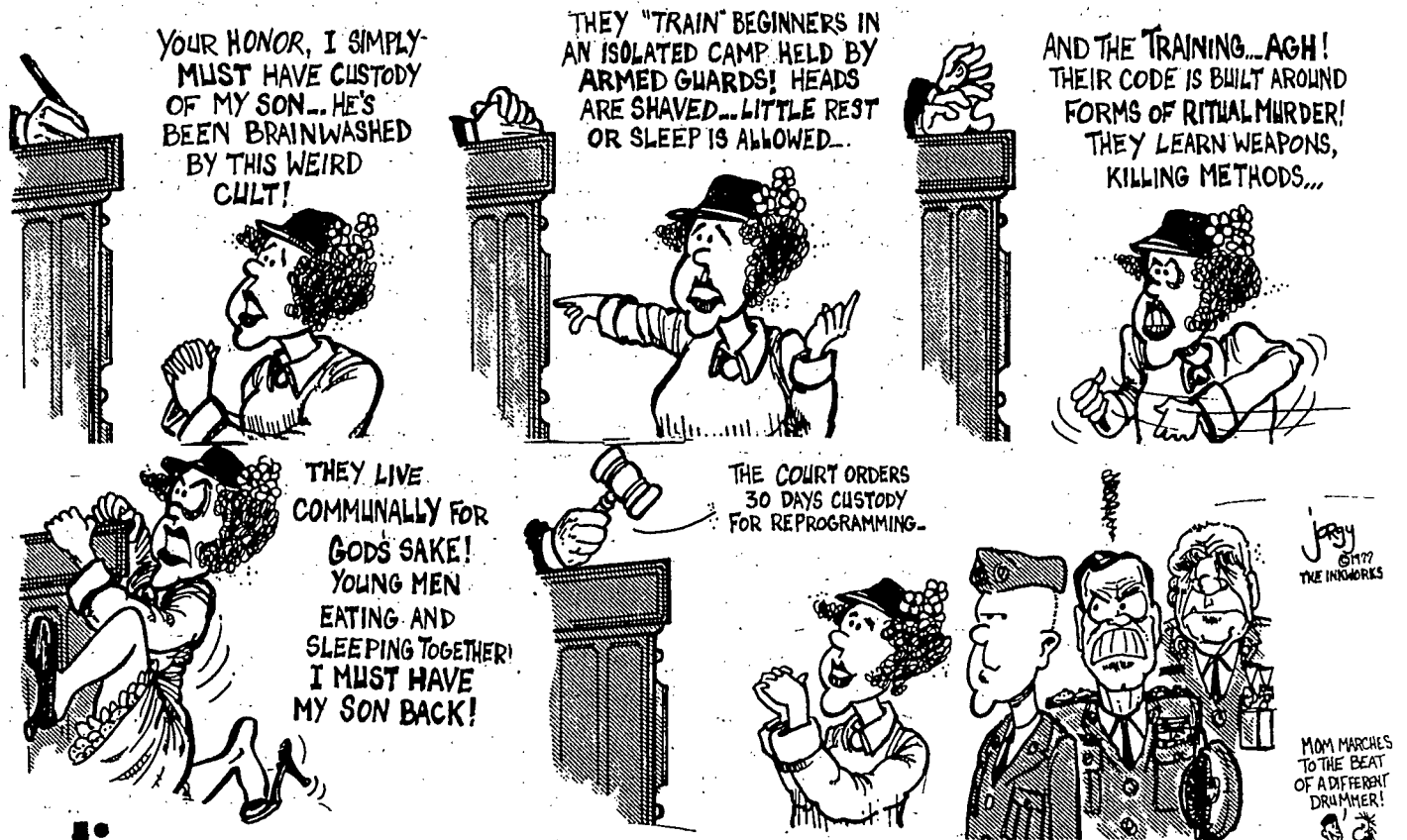
Dear Stroller:

"When you're feeling low,  
And you're spirits are down,  
Take a look into this  
And you won't want to frown."

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Ms. Murphy and Ms. Smith:

By printing anonymous, false, acrimonious, and libelous personal remarks about the LRC, the *Missourian* has done a great disservice to the University community. In publishing such letters, the professional and ethics of Mr. Tollman have been associated with distortions stated in the letters, and in the process he has been wronged. He must smart sorely from such untruths, knowing that he was not dismissed, was not forced to resign, and was not sacrificed to anyone's designs. Rather he voluntarily resigned to further his own career.

The masked authors are uninformed about the facts they attempted to discuss and about academic librarianship in general. One surely would not expect young, beginning librarians with professional aspirations to spend a career in any small library affording limited opportunities for position advancement. Certainly the organization of the professional public services librarians at NWMSU affords them greater opportunity for professional growth and freedom in working relations with other faculty than is found in the vast majority of libraries across the country. Such freedom carries with it a great deal of responsibility, but the experiences and

responsibilities provided do prepare them for advancement to positions in larger libraries.

The inferences in the letters that only the poor librarians remain at NWMSU does a disservice to the other professional and support employees who have given sustained, dependable, loyal, talented, and creative service to the University LRC and its publics with little public acclaim but with an awareness of satisfaction of knowing they have served well. Those familiar with the organization and management of LRC know all too well that the direct service to the public accounts for only a small part of the work and responsibilities required to serve the needs of patrons successfully. The vast majority of the work required for successful reference service or other services to the public takes place behind the scenes, unseen and unsung by the public.

To denigrate the value and usefulness of the LRC collections is to be uninformed and is to belittle the efforts of the reference librarians/bibliographers, the faculty, and the University administrators to provide the resources required to support the curricular and research programs of the University and the technology and processes used to assure that their efforts are not for naught. Since

fiscal 1972-73 the University has spent approximately \$960,000 on books, periodicals, other materials, and binding or approximately \$240,000 annually as compared to little more than \$115,000 in fiscal 1971-72. Total holdings have more than 200,000 volumes. Serial subscriptions have increased from 535 titles to 1,464, and serial holdings have almost three fold from 8,140 to more than 24,000 volumes. The doubling of the library holdings has been the result of a cooperative effort on the part of the teaching faculty, reference librarians/bibliographers, other LRC personnel, and the University administrators. Joint decisions of the teaching faculty and the library bibliographers have determined the collection development priorities and even the titles selected, which deem necessary to meet the curricular and research needs for their academic departments.

Accrediting agencies have been favorably impressed with the improvements since 1972 in the LRC. The improvements in the collections--as reflected in the evaluation of them against the Clapp-Jordan formula, which is used by the Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education to judge the adequacy for research of university library holdings--is

significant even when comparing only the last two years.

Considering the fact that measures of library adequacy are based in large part upon the factor of size of student enrollment and faculty, the improvements could have been shown more dramatically had a comparison of changes been listed for 1972 and 1976, that is, for the years before and after the decline in the sizes of the student enrollment and faculty.

The statistics presented fail to reveal other significant facts, two of them most important being that (1) the materials selected are those which faculty have deemed supportive of University programs and (2) the materials acquired are now processed and ready for use within a few days after being received instead of many months or even years, as was the situation prior to 1973, and in spite of the large increase in the number of volumes acquired yearly.

This rather lengthy letter is written only because I realize that you have a great responsibility and interest in discharging the responsibilities of the press to report news based upon facts rather than acrimonious, petty, distorted opinions.

Sincerely yours,  
Charles W. Koch